

2. 35 U.S.C. §103(a). The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-27 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Weschler et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,470,332), Hann et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,799,153), and Albrecht et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,950,011).

Applicant respectfully disagrees.

The rejection of Claims 1, 5, 6, 10, 14, 15, 19, 23, and 24 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is deemed moot in view of the declaration by the inventor, Prasanta Behera, under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 that Applicant has attached, swearing behind Weschler.

Additionally, Hann and Albrecht do not teach or disclose the invention as claimed.

Claims 1, 5, 6, 10, 14, 15, 19, 23, and 24 are in allowable condition. Claims 2-4, and 7-9, and 11-13, and 16-18, and 20-22, and 25-27 are dependent upon independent Claims 1, 6, 10, 15, 19, and 24, respectively, which are in allowable condition. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, Applicant considers the present invention to be distinguished from the art of record. Accordingly, Applicant earnestly solicits the Examiner's withdrawal of the rejections raised in the above referenced Office Action, such that a Notice of Allowance is forwarded to Applicant, and the present application is therefore allowed to issue as a United States patent.

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